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Kevin H. Sharp

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT  
COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF  
TENNESSEE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA		
		No. 3:16-CR-00117-2
VS.		
JOE L. RUSSELL, II		

MOTION TO WITHDRAW AND  
SUBSTITUTE COUNSEL

Comes now undersigned counsel, and hereby moves to withdraw as counsel of record in the above-styled case, and for substitute counsel to be appointed. For cause, counsel would show the following:

- (1) On Tuesday, June 14, 2016, acting pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-14-401 et. seq., the Tennessee District Public Defender’s Conference voted to hire undersigned counsel as its new Executive Director (replacing the previous Executive Director who is retiring).
- (2) Undersigned counsel has accepted the position.
- (3) Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-14-402, undersigned counsel will assume the office on July 1, 2016.
- (4) Pursuant to Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-14-405(c), the Executive Director may not “directly or indirectly engage in the practice of law” while acting as Executive Director.
- (5) Thus, undersigned counsel must move to withdraw as counsel of record.
- (6) Undersigned counsel was appointed to represent the Defendant by prior order of this Court.